

Royal Mail International MB4L Mailbag – Customer Guidelines and Best Practise

In order for mail to be processed efficiently and swiftly through HWDC's automation when using the MB4L mailbag it is recommended that the following guidelines are followed.

Fig. 1 shows the length and depth of the bag profile when open, these dimensions should be the target size for a closed bag with a neck of at least 20cm long securely tied with a bag tie as shown in Fig. 2 and 3.



Fig. 1

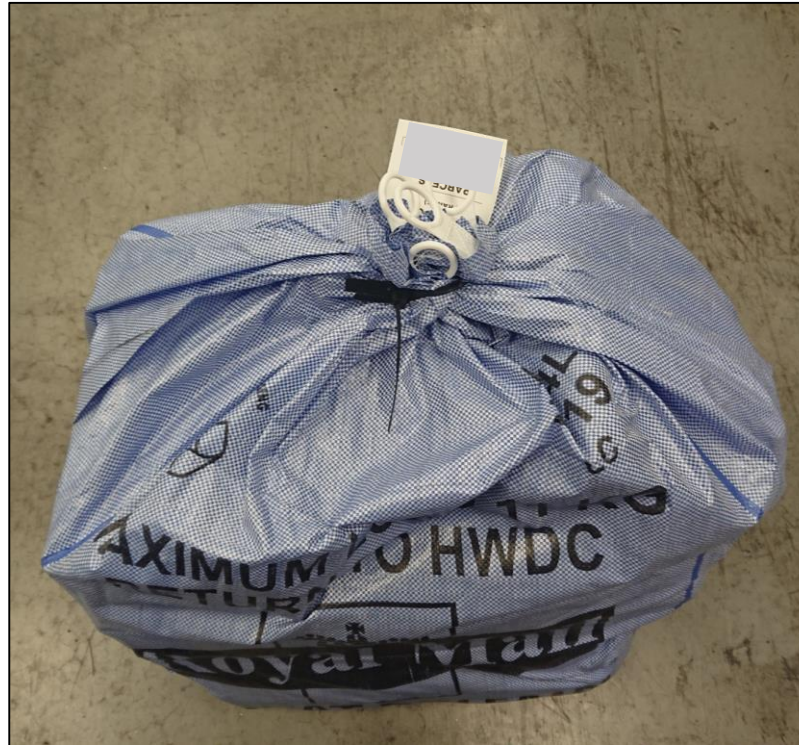


Fig. 2



Fig. 3

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Profiles of a bag which does not have the recommended 20cm neck length, this is important to allow slack in the bag for manual handling and attaching to automation such as monorail hooks.

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The addition of a smaller box next to the large box down the side of the bag has restricted the amount of material for the neck.



Bags that have little material left for a neck are not able to be securely tied and the bag can break open during processing.



Bags that are heavily filled are also arriving open due to slipping the tie and have to be manually reprocessed.



This is an example of a bag that can not be processed due to the length extreme length of the bag, so much so that three gable ties have been used to try and secure it. This has to be reprocessed not only because of it's length but as it is not compliant for air mail due to the small opening to the bag between the ties.